

104<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 572

To provide for return of excess amounts from official allowances of Members of the House of Representatives to the Treasury for deficit reduction.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 19, 1995

Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. MINGE, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. FARR, Mr. DOYLE, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Ms. KAPTUR, and Mr. BARCIA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Oversight

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. RETURN OF EXCESS AMOUNTS FROM OFFICIAL**  
4 **ALLOWANCES OF MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE**  
5 **OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE TREASURY**  
6 **FOR DEFICIT REDUCTION.**

7 Notwithstanding any other law, or any rule or other  
8 authority, any amount remaining in an official allowance

1 of a Member of the House of Representatives at the end  
2 of the session of Congress or other period for which the  
3 allowance is made available shall be returned to the Treas-  
4 ury, to be used for deficit reduction.

5 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

6 As used in this Act—

7 (1) the term “Member of the House of Rep-  
8 resentatives” means a Representative in, or a Dele-  
9 gate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress;  
10 and

11 (2) the term “official allowance” means, with  
12 respect to a Member of the House of Representa-  
13 tives, the Clerk Hire Allowance, the Official Ex-  
14 penses Allowance, or the Official Mail Allowance.

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